

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS
LOS ALAMITOS QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION**

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Report of the Board of Stewards for the week of June 12, 2017 through June 18, 2017.

Monday

06/12/2017

(1) DUTY STEWARD

Ron Church will attend to office matters and record the minutes for the coming week.

(2) ROAP MEETINGS

The Los Alamitos Board of Stewards attended the ROAP continuing education classes at Santa Anita Park on Monday and Tuesday. It was a very productive two day course.

Tuesday

06/13/2017

(1) THE DRAW

Today's entries were taken for Friday and completed by 12:30 p.m. The eight race program will consist of four Quarter Horse, three Thoroughbred and one mixed Quarter Horse/Thoroughbred race.

(2) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the condition book for Cal-Bred maiden claiming \$6,250, three year olds was called off with one entry.

Wednesday

06/14/2017

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratch time was completed at 9:00 a.m., one scratch and two rider changes completed Friday's program changes.

(2) THE DRAW

Today's entries were taken for Saturday and completed at 12:30 p.m. The nine race program will consist of five Quarter Horse, two Thoroughbred and one mixed Quarter Horse/Thoroughbred race.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fifth race in the condition book for Cal-Bred maiden claiming \$12,500, three year olds was called off with one entry.

The eighth race in the condition book, the IVAN ASHMENT HANDICAP, fillies and mares three year olds and upward for Cal-Bred never had a chance with only four nominations on closing date of June 8.

Thursday
06/15/2017

(1) SCRATCHES

Scratches were completed at 9:00 am resulting in three rider changes and one blinker change for Saturday's program

(2) THE DRAW

Today's entries were taken for Sunday which will feature the Grade 1 \$1,000,000 Ed Burke Futurity. The nine race program will consist of four Quarter Horse, three Thoroughbred and two mixed Quarter Horse/Thoroughbred races. The draw was completed at 1:30 p.m.

(3) CAL-BRED REPORT

The fourth race in the condition book for Cal-Bred maiden claiming \$2,500, three year olds was called off without attracting an entry.

Friday
06/16/2017

(1) SCRATCHES

There were no scratches or changes for Sunday's program.

(2) MEDICATION VIOLATION HEARING

Trainer Jesus Nunez along with owner Erasmo Hernandez appeared before the stewards to address cases #17LA0164, #17LA0169 and #17LA0176. Also involved is owner Sigifredo Sanchez who was not present but was contacted by telephone and agreed to the hearing continuing without his presence. Mr. Nunez stated that it was owner Mr. Hernandez who had "DASHING SEPARATIST" under his care at the ranch until the horse was shipped in the day prior to the race. Mr. Hernandez confirmed he is the caretaker of "DASHING SEPARATIST" and administered the medication at the ranch. After hearing all testimony and considering the excessive level of dexamethasone, the following rulings were issued.

(3) RULINGS 154 - 156

RULING # 154

TRAINER JESUS NUNEZ WHO STARTED THE HORSE "DASHING SEPARATIST" IN THE THIRD RACE ON MAY 7, 2017 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS FINED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2000.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1843 (A,B&D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (B) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1887 (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF #1844 (F4) (10) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION – DEXAMETHASONE (CLASS IV) – IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL OF 5.0 PG/ML (92PG/ML)).

RULING # 155

OWNER SIGIFREDO SANCHEZ, WHOSE HORSE "DASHING SEPARATIST" RAN IN THE THIRD RACE ON MAY 7, 2017 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS, FINED ONE THOUSAND (\$1000.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A,B&D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS & OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (B) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1887 (A) (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1844 (F4) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION – DEXAMETHASONE (CLASS IV) - IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL OF 5.0 PG/ML (92 PG/ML)).

RULING # 156

OWNER ERASMO HERNANDEZ, WHOSE HORSE "DASHING SEPARATIST" RAN IN THE THIRD RACE ON MAY 7, 2017 AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE IS, FINED ONE THOUSAND (\$1000.00)* PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A,B&D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS & OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (B) (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES) AND #1887 (A) (TRAINER OR OWNER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE) FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1844 (F4) (AUTHORIZED MEDICATION – DEXAMETHASONE (CLASS IV) - IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVEL OF 5.0 PG/ML (92 PG/ML)).

(4) ROAP CLASS VISIT

Instructor Wendy Davis and approximately fifteen students paid a visit to the stewards' office for a brief period of Q and A and was followed up with a stop in the stewards' stand. The classes are being held at Santa Anita Park consisting of a week long course.

(5) THIRD RACE JOCKEY OBJECTION/DISQUALIFICATION

The stewards posted the objection sign following the third race to review an incident prior to the finish involving the first and second place finishers, #3 ONE MORE ROLL (R. Guce) and #2 AIMING STRAIGHT (F. Martinez). After speaking with the riders involved and reviewing video of the infraction the stewards unanimously voted to disqualify One More Roll from first to second position. Video showed One More Roll veering in, making contact with Aiming Straight, and in the opinion of the stewards, costing Aiming Straight a chance for a better placing.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH **3**-2-6-4-7

OFFICAL ORDER OF FINISH 2-**3**-6-4-7

(6) PROGRAM CHANGES

1 st Race	#3 SENOR PEGASUS (Tr. H. Loma) claimed Jesus Nunez, trainer
	#5 TRUTHORCONSEQUENCE (S. Naranjo) claimed Jesus Nunez, trainer
4 th Race	Declaration #1 MANSON B (Tr. R. Zuazo) flipped in receiving barn – Dr. Beck, Refund \$1,149.00
	#3 CINCO DE MARIO (A. Aquino) claimed Ricardo Guillen, trainer
	#6 LAND OF THE FREE (D. Montes) claimed Jesus Nunez, trainer
7 th Race	#5 WINGER (Tr. F. Vallejo) Vet – Dr. Beck
	Refund - \$506.00
8 th Race	#2 BRING ME HOME (A. Aquino) entered back – stewards
	Refund - \$221.00

(7) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	656	On Track Handle:	\$114,477.10
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,831</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$425,523.00
Total:	2,487	Out of State:	<u>\$784,694.16</u>
			\$1,324,694.26

Saturday
06/17/17

(1) RAMON GUCE FILM REVIEW (REF 6-16-17)

Jockey Ramon Guce was ordered to appear to review his ride aboard #3 "ONE MORE ROLL". Approaching the finish line ONE MORE ROLL drifted inward and bumped eventual second place finisher #2 AIMING STRAIGHT (Felipe Martinez) and costing him an opportunity for first position. Jockey Guce was cautioned and received no penalty in this matter.

(2) CONNIE HALL COMPLAINT (CASE NO. 17LA0146)

Trainer Connie Hall appeared in our office to address the above complaint filed by the CHRB investigators. An informal hearing was held, Mrs. Hall stated she feeds a supplement "IRON POWER" and she was unaware that it contains a concentration of cobalt. She has discontinued the use of the supplement.

(3) RULING #157

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PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), TRAINER CONNIE HALL, WHO STARTED THE HORSE "DATING GAME", THE WINNER OF THE FIFTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 21, 2017 IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A&D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES – COBALT IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVELS – 28.4 NG/ML).

(4) PAUL JONES COMPLAINT (CASE NO. 17LA0157)

Trainer Paul Jones appeared in our office to address the above complaint filed by the CHRB investigators. Mr. Jones elected to proceed with an informal hearing. Mr. Jones, stated he had no idea how the high level happened, as his treatment schedule has never changed.

(5) RULING #158

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PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1887 (TRAINER TO INSURE CONDITION OF HORSE), TRAINER PAUL JONES, WHO STARTED THE HORSE FOOSE JENNER, THE SECOND PLACE FINISHER IN THE FOURTH RACE AT LOS ALAMITOS RACE COURSE ON APRIL 30, 2017 IS FINED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)* FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES #1843 (A&D) (MEDICATION, DRUGS, AND OTHER SUBSTANCES), #1843.1 (PROHIBITED DRUG SUBSTANCES – PHENYLBUTAZONE IN EXCESS OF PERMITTED LEVELS – 2.50 UG/ML).

(6) INQUIRY – ACCIDENT – SECOND RACE

The inquiry sign was lit following the running of the second race to review #7 MISTY'SVIEWTHEGOLD, who stumbled at the start and unseated jockey Vinnie Bednar. MISTY'SVIEWTHEGOLD and jockey Vinnie Bednar were uninjured.

(7) RACE FIVE – NO SHOW WAGERING

At the request of management no show wagering was offered on the fifth race.

(8) PROGRAM CHANGES

1st Race #1 NOBABY (Tr. R. Guillen) Flipped in saddling paddock. Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$1,320.00
#6 AVO (Tr. C. Treece) Injured – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$273.00
#7 COWGIRL IN THECITY (Tr. R. Guillen) claimed R. Zuazo, trainer
2nd Race #7 MISTY'SVIEWTHEGOLD (Tr. K. Castaneda) claimed F. Meza, trainer
3rd Race #4 SHE HUMS (Tr. F. Gonzalez) entered back – stewards
Refund \$289.00
4th Race #4 FAVOR IT (Tr. M. Casselman) Flipped in starting gate – injured
Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$8,755.00
#5 UP FOR PRIDE (Tr. S. Willoughby) Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$176.00
5th Race #1 ROSIESCRUELLA (Tr. A. Aquino) claimed K. Castaneda, trainer
#6 PAM'S JOY (Tr. K. Castaneda) claimed J. Nunez, trainer
8th Race #5 JESSFLIPACOIN (Tr. B. Vickery) sore – Dr. Fitzgerald
Refund \$11,434.00

(9) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	831	On Track Handle:	\$133,088.20
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,928</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$431,334.80
Total:	2,759	Out of State:	<u>\$874,330.43</u>
		Total:	\$1,438,753.43

Sunday
06/18/17

(1) SECOND RACE INQUIRY – NO CHANGE

The stewards posted the inquiry sign after the running of the 4 ½ furlong race. Fourth place finisher #7 ALLAN'S BABY (Ramon Guce) was racing wide approaching the 3/16 pole and angled in behind the first place finisher #5 INDY DEVIL'S ARMS (F. Martinez) and checked his mount causing his mount to weaken. After speaking with the riders and viewing all camera angles the stewards' unanimous decision was to allow the original placing to stand. No change.

(2) THIRD RACE INQUIRY – DISQUALIFICATION

The stewards posted the inquiry sign after the running of the 4 ½ furlong race to examine interference in the far turn. The horses involved were #6 MAXIMUM MAXIMUM (E. Fernandez) the fourth place finisher, #5 SHE HUMS (L. Barrientos) fifth place finisher, and #7 I B MIKE (S. Arias) sixth place finisher. Following the video review the stewards disqualified #6 MAXIMUM MAXIMUM from fourth and placed him sixth behind #7 I B MIKE.

Video of the race showed that the rider (E. Fernandez) on #6 MAXIMUM MAXIMUM allowed his mount to drift in on the far turn which forced #7 I B MIKE and #5 SHE HUMS to take up sharply, and in the stewards' opinion, lost the opportunity for a better placing.

ORIGINAL ORDER OF FINISH 3-4-1-6-5-7 OFFICIAL ORDER OF FINISH 3-4-1-5-7-6

(3) VOIDED CLAIM

A claim deposited by trainer Jesus Nunez for the horse TAVARUA in the eighth race was declared void by the stewards after official veterinarian Gary Beck determined the mare was unsound in the right front and placed her on the vet's list. TAVARUA was returned to the barn of Paul Jones.

(4) PROGRAM CHANGES

1st race #4 WILANNAMOON (Tr. W. Whitehouse) claimed Keith Craigmyle
 #5 SHARPEST ONE (Tr. E. Andrade) claimed Jesus Nunez
3rd race Declaration #2 BROTHER SOLDIER (Tr. M. Valenzuela)
 Sick – Dr. Fitzgerald
 Refund \$269.00
6th race #1 REALLY A PRINCESS (Tr. A. Aquino) claimed Jesus Nunez
8th race Declaration #4 MONGOOSE FOOSE (Tr. A. Aceves)
 Not on grounds – stewards
 Refund \$222.00

(5) ATTENDANCE AND HANDLE

On Track Attendance:	1,166	On Track Handle:	\$159,772.60
Off Track Attendance:	<u>1,818</u>	Off Track Handle:	\$343,841.10
Total:	2,984	Out of State:	<u>\$971,151.33</u>
			\$1,474,765.03

TRACK SAFETY REPORT

The weekly inspection was conducted on June 18, 2017. There were no equine deaths to report this week due to racing injuries. During this reporting period twelve horses were added to the Veterinarian's List as follows: three for soundness, three for injury, three for sickness, one for medication, and two for bleeding.

Four horses previously on the Veterinarian's List were examined and removed from the list.

This report was submitted by Steward Ron Church.

**CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
SUMMARY**

2017

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI 06/16	SAT 06/17	SUN 06/18	WEEK TOTAL	MEET TOTAL
ACCIDENTS	D				0	0	0	0	4
CAL-BRED RACES		A			0	0	0	0	1
CLAIMS			R		3	4	3	10	181
DISQUALIFICATIONS				K	1	0	1	2	20
INQUIRIES	D				1	1	2	4	39
REFUNDS		A			3	6	2	11	184
RULINGS			Y		3	1	1	5	156
VOIDED CLAIMS				S	0	0	1	1	33

Stewards' Attendance: Stewards James Dreyer, Ron Church, Tom Ward, and Safety Steward David Nuesch were in attendance during this reporting period.

James Dreyer (Steward)

Ron Church (Steward)

Tom Ward (Steward)

David Nuesch (Safety Steward)